

**A Letter from General Pierce, Referring to  
Death of his Eldest Son**

(From the New York Presbyterian, Jan. 22, 1883.)  
 ARCH STREET, PHILADELPHIA, JAN. 22, 1883.  
 MEMOR. EDITORS:—Enclosed I send you a copy of a letter of the President elect, referred to in the last number of the *Presbyterian*, and which you may please to publish or not, as you choose. It was written soon after the retirement of General Pierce from the United States Senate, in answer to a letter of condolence on the death of a beloved family member. It sufficiently expresses the feelings and statements of your own paper, already referred to.  
 Your correspondent thinks that, under the circumstances, he betrays no credence in ascribing the death to the influence of the President elect.  
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
 Yours truly,  
 J. H. H.

My Dear Friend—You have been often in my mind since I received your affectionate letter of the 14th inst. I am glad to hear that you are so well, and that you are enjoying good and grateful health at the time. I have been particularly glad to think of you since you have been truly sympathized with in this manner by your loving wife and children.

Under heaven would I like this, how trifling—O, trifling, in most of the cases, and purposes, and aims of the Christian—yet how precious to the soul.

this world appear? We can hardly realize how it  
 has been made to be a true and a false in  
 day. We open our eyes, and from a dream, we  
 realize that we are around and before us. We see  
 away written upon all the things of this world  
 feeling like a new and a new, a new and a new  
 to come with an appreciation of the  
 greatness of eternity, as compared with this  
 time. I do earnestly desire to keep awake to the  
 end, not to fall into the spell where we are  
 to come to a new and a new, a new and a new  
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 eternity so far off, and gives to the things of this  
 world magnitude and disproportionate importance.

...a friend or well-known person on God's side to  
...the court...  
...judgment have long been strong and decided, but  
...little menace they have had upon my life, as a  
...tation of the great truth. "With the heart man is  
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...Our dear boy was ill three weeks, and the in  
...days of his life was a period of much suffering.  
...mist of our dear son, and the inexpressible relief  
...the court...  
...to use his own expression, "of the blessed Jesus,"  
...cially on the Sabbath. And now his intelligence  
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Jan. 22, 1863.

**RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.**  
**INSTALLATION.**  
 Rev. R. E. Parsons was installed pastor of the Congregational church, at Concord, N. H. on last night.

**INVITATIONS.**  
 The High street Baptist church, Baltimore, has just invited Rev. John Berg to become its pastor. Rev. R. Turnbull, of D. D. of Baltimore, has been nominated to the people that he had received an invitation to become pastor of the Spruce street Baptist church, Philadelphia.

**ACCEPTANCES.**  
 Rev. Myron Merriam has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Baptist church in Sharon, Mass. He ready to enter upon his labors.  
 Rev. Rufus Nutting, Jr., of Detroit, has accepted an appointment as Professor of the Latin and Greek languages, at Illinois College.  
 Rev. James Colburn has accepted the invitation to the pastoral charge of the Baptist church in Union, S. C.  
 Rev. Christopher B. Wyatt has accepted the call to the Baptist church in San Francisco and sailed on Thursday for that city.

Rev. Dr. Turnbull, of the First Baptist church in  
Conn., has declined the call of the Spruce-  
Baptist church of Philadelphia.

Rev. Thomas S. King has declined the various  
calls he has received from different churches, and has de-  
termined to remain with his congregation at the Holts street  
in Boston.

Rev. Mr. Livermore has declined the call to  
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Rev. Sias Bailey, D. D., has resigned the presi-  
dency of Grinnell College, Ohio, and has accepted that of Furber College in Iowa.

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Rev. J. T. Walker has resigned the pastorate  
of the Third Baptist church in Jerich, Stonington, Conn.,  
in consequence of a disagreement with the congregation  
regarding the effect on the last Sabbath in March  
of the year 1891.

DEATHS IN THE MINISTRY.  
Rev. Drury Belsbank died at Littleton, Vt., aged  
years.

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Rev. Samuel P. Nasli, rector of St. Andrew's  
Church, New York, died at Littleton, Vt., aged  
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**24th GLEANINGS.**  
The new Christian church at New Canby, Ore.,  
dedicated on the 24th inst., by the Rev. W. H. D.  
pastor of the church, who has lately been elected  
of belle letters in Antioch college. The sum  
was contributed to pay of the debt of the church.  
The new Methodist Episcopal church at George  
N. was dedicated to the service of God on the  
instant.  
The new Methodist Episcopal church at Glas  
village, Albany county, will be dedicated to the  
of God on Thursday, the 27th inst.

A new church has just been completed in Nashville, Tenn., including the furnishings, for \$11,000, all but \$3,000 of which was paid by the SYGMA. A line organ costing \$1,100, was purchased by the church.

The Swedenborgians have ordered a house of divinity on North Capitol street, near the new railroad in Washington city.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

By a letter from Mrs. Curtis, Ohio, we learn that utmost harmony prevails among the various religious denominations in that place, and that the members of the churches very generously contributed towards the erection of the depot of the new Christian church in that place for the benevolent purpose of relieving the poverty of the colored people, who have been elected to a professorship in the same.

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Rev. William L. McCall, a Presbyterian clergyman, Philadelphia, has commenced a French Protestant service in that city. He preaches in that language Sabbath evening, in the lecture room of the Sixth

The first regional meeting of the Cambridge Association of the United Methodist Church was held on the last night, placed in the hands of the society for about one hundred and fifty dollars, which has since been increased to about two hundred dollars to begin the beginning of a pastor's library. The books are to be purchased by the society and his salary is to be paid by the church. It is understood that about the same amount will be annually, until a large and valuable library is collected. Standard publications, that will be valuable at all times.

Rev. John Little, a Presbyterian clergyman in the city, has been assigned to his charge, and ordered the same the Bible, and the

The Rev. H. E. Ballard, of the New Jersey Annual Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, has been appointed District Secretary of the American and Foreign Aid Union, for the Middle district, comprising New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, in place of Rev. Mr. Westbrook, resigned.